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VETERANS AFFAIRS -- VETERANS HOMES, CEMETERIES AND MEMORIALS

Task Force on the Future of the Veterans Homes  
[LFB Paper #701]

Motion:

Move to create a task force to provide recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature relating to future operations of the veterans homes as follows:

1. *Membership.* Specify that the task force would be chaired by the Secretary of DVA, or his or her designee, and include two representatives each from the Department of Administration (DOA), the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA), the Department of Military Affairs (DMA), the Department of Health Services (DHS), and the Department of Corrections (DOC), with each member appointed by the Secretary of his or her agency (or the Adjutant General of DMA).

2. *Scope of Study.* Require the task force to conduct a study to explore future operations of the veterans homes, including a 20-year operational plan that would include recommendations to improve coordination between agencies and to deliver services in the most cost-effective manner.

Require the task force to address the following proposals and issues in its study: (a) the hiring of an operational manager that would have management responsibilities for the King, Union Grove, and Chippewa Falls campuses; (b) the expansion of the skilled nursing facilities operated by DVA; (c) the use of property on these sites for DMA's Challenge Academy program; (d) the expansion of the veterans cemeteries; (e) the construction of correctional facilities to house incarcerated veterans; (f) the expansion of DOA's authority to develop and implement proposals for the future development of the sites; and (g) any other proposals or issues that the task force wishes to address.

3. *Date of Submission.* Require the task force to submit the report to the Legislature by July 1, 2014, or one year after the bill's general effective date, whichever is later.

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Note:

This motion would create a multi-agency task force to conduct a study of the future operations of the veterans homes, and to consider proposals that would affect other agencies that currently occupy the site, or could occupy the site in the future.



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**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT ,**

**TO ASSEMBLY BILL 40**

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1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 1. Page 1044, line 22: after that line insert:

3 “(2) VETERANS HOME TASK FORCE.

4 (a) There is created a veterans home task force to be chaired by the secretary  
5 of the department of veterans affairs or his or her designee.

6 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

7 1. Two members from the department of administration who are appointed by  
8 the secretary of administration or his or her designee. ✓

9 2. Two members from the department of corrections who are appointed by the  
10 secretary of corrections or his or her designee. ✓

1           3. Two members from the department of health services who are appointed by  
2 the secretary of health services or his or her designee. ✓

3           4. Two members from the department of military affairs who are appointed by  
4 the adjutant general or his or her designee. ✓

5           5. Two members from the department of veterans affairs who are appointed by  
6 the secretary of veterans affairs or his or her designee. ✓

7           (c) The task force shall conduct a study relating to the future operations of  
8 Wisconsin veterans housing and cemeteries. The study shall include a 20-year  
9 operational plan that includes recommendations for improving coordination  
10 between the state agencies that are represented by members of the task force and for  
11 delivering services in Wisconsin veterans homes in the most cost-effective manner. ✓

12           (d) The task force shall address all of the following issues in the study:

13           1. The issue of whether to enter into a contract for an operational manager to  
14 assume management responsibilities for Wisconsin veterans homes. ✓

15           2. The issue of whether there should be an increase in the number or size of  
16 skilled nursing facilities at Wisconsin veterans homes. ✓

17           3. The issue of whether property located at Wisconsin veterans homes should  
18 be used for the Challenge Academy program operated by the department of military  
19 affairs under section 321.03 (1) (c) of the statutes. ✓

20           4. The issue of whether there should be an increase in the number or size of  
21 veteran memorial cemeteries constructed or operated under section 45.61 of the  
22 statutes, as affected by this act. ✓

23           5. The issue of whether to construct correctional facilities to house incarcerated  
24 veterans.

1           7. The issue of whether to broaden the authority of the department of  
2           administration exercises under section 45.03 (5) (c) 1. d. of the statutes and to  
3           otherwise develop and implement proposals for the future operation of Wisconsin  
4           veterans homes.

5           7. Any other issue relating to the future operation of veterans homes.

6           (e) The task force shall prepare a report that contains the results and  
7           recommendations of the study and shall submit the report to the legislature in the  
8           manner provided under section 13.172 (2) of the statutes no later than July 1, 2014,  
9           or one year after the effective date of this paragraph, whichever is later." ✓

10           (D-N) (END)

Do you want to authorize staff for the task force? ✓

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**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT ,**

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6 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:

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4 the adjutant general or his or her designee.

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6 the secretary of veterans affairs or his or her designee.

7           (c) The task force shall conduct a study relating to the future operations of  
8 Wisconsin veterans <sup>homes</sup> ~~housing~~ and cemeteries. <sup>and correctional facilities for veterans</sup> The study shall include a 20-year  
9 operational plan that includes recommendations for improving coordination  
10 between the state agencies that are represented by members of the task force and for  
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3     ~~otherwise~~ develop and implement proposals for the future ~~operation~~ <sup>development</sup> of Wisconsin  
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10                           (END)



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9 The study shall include a 20–year operational plan that includes recommendations  
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